

Trucking company operating illegally in Caledon hit with \$30,000 fine]

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The Town of Caledon has achieved a victory in its ongoing battle against trucking companies operating illegally in Town.

On November 9, the Ontario Superior Court of Justice charged a trucking company with illegal land use, handed out a court order for it to cease its illegal operations, and ordered it to pay a \$30,000 fine.

The company in question, 6230 Mayfield Inc., pled guilty to Provincial Offences Act charges against them from the Town of Caledon. According to Ontario's Business Registry, 6230 Mayfield Inc. was incorporated in March 2016 and its registered head office is in Brampton.

"In addition to the substantial fine, the order prohibits 6230 Mayfield Inc. from continuing to illegally use their property as a trucking depot and orders they remove all illegal trucking equipment and imported fill by an agreed upon date," reads a Town of Caledon media release.

The Town's Director of Building and Municipal Law Enforcement, Mark Sruga, said illegal trucking operations negatively impact Caledon and court decisions like this one are a win.

"We share this win with owners and operators of legal trucking businesses in Caledon. We will continue to take legal action against those who defy the Town's bylaws to ensure Caledon remains a fair and sustainable location for businesses," said Sruga.

According to the Town, investigation into 6230 Mayfield Inc.'s illegal land use began in June of 2020 when complaints of noise, debris, and property alteration in the Tullamore area "directly across from a residential neighbourhood" were brought to the Town.

Mayor Annette Groves said the Town's legal action against the company reinforces its commitment to protect Caledon's natural landscape, and protect community members from the impacts of illegal trucking operations.

The Town's media release notes residents are encouraged to help the Town fight illegal trucking operations by reporting them when they see them. Residents who think illegal trucking activity may be happening on a property are encouraged to share their concerns by dialing 3-1-1 on their phone or emailing info@caledon.ca.